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SUBJECT: NJCEC AGENDA ITEM - DEFINITION OF THE NICS

REFS: A. NICSMA-D/12(REVISED) B. STATE 21976

1. JOINT COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS WORKING GROUP (JCEWG) DISCUSSED DOCUMENT NICSMA-D/12, DEFINITION OF THE NICS, ON FEB 12, 1975. THE ASST CHIEF OF STAFF, COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS, SHAPE (MG RICHTER) MADE LENGTHY PRESENTATION WHICH PROVED TO BE ARGUMENT FOR SHAPE TO RETAIN A LARGE DEGREE OF AUTONOMOUS CONTROL OVER NICS.

2. SUBSEQUENT JCEW DISCUSSION REVEALED THAT THE NATIONS HAVE DIFFERENT VIEWS AS TO THE PURPOSE AND THE POSSIBLE USES TO BE MADE OF NICSMA-D/12(REVISED). NOT MANY NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES VIEWED DOCUMENT ONLY AS DELINEATING RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PLANNING, PROGRAMMING, AND PROCURING COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. MOST SAW CONFIDENTIAL

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DOCUMENT AS HAVING HIDDEN OR SUBTLE DANGERS. AMONG THESE ARE FEAR THAT THE DOCUMENT MAY BE USED AS BASIS FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR COMMON FUNDING OF COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES NOT NOW ELIGIBLE, AND CONCERN THAT MNCS MAY USE THE DOCUMENT AS A BASIS FOR GAINING

GREATER CONTROL OVER NICS THAN NATIONS INTEND. DISCUSSION NEVER
PROGRESSED TO DETAILED CONSIDERATION OF COMPOSITION OF NICS,
ALTHOUGH COMMENTS BY VARIOUS REPRESENTATIVES SHOWED A DIVERGENCE
OF VIEWS. APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE CHANGES PROVIDED
IN STATE 21976 (REF B) DID NOT ARISE.

3. JCEWG AGREED THAT IT CANNOT ENDORSE NICSMA-D/12(REVISED) AS
PRESENTLY WRITTEN. GROUP PROPOSES TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WITH
VIEW TO DEVELOPING GUIDELINES FOR A FUTURE DOCUMENT. IT AGREED
THAT THE ITEM (DEFINITION OF NICS) SHOULD REMAIN ON NJCEC
AGENDA SO THAT THE NICS POLICY COMMITTEE CAN GIVE GUIDANCE.

4. MISSION SUBSCRIBES TO JCEWG ACTION. STATE 21976(REF B)
PROVIDES ADEQUATE GUIDANCE FOR JCEWG REPRESENTATIVE.BRUCE

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